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TO AMEMBASSY LIBREVILLE

C O N F I D E N T I A L STATE 081921

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: BENC, GB

SUBJECT: IRON ORE PELLETIZING PLANT

1. U.S. INDUSTRY SOURCE REPORTS GOG SIGNED CONTRACT WITH VOEST ALPINE (AUSTRIA) MID-FEBRUARY TO BUILD PELLETIZING PLANT FOR BELINGA IRON ORE. SOURCE THINKS THERE MAY BE SOME POSSIBILITY BREAKING CONTRACT DUE TO INDICATIONS PRESIDENT BONGO DISSATISFIED OVER CIRCUMSTANCES UNDER WHICH IT WAS SIGNED.

2. AT LEAST TWO HIGHLY QUALIFIED U.S. FIRMS HAD PREVIOUSLY EXPRESSED STRONG INTEREST BUILDING THIS PLANT AND WOULD PROBABLY PURSUE CONTRACT IF IT HAS NOT BEEN AWARDED OR IF THERE IS REASONABLE EXPECTATION OF REOPENING BIDDING.

3. EMBASSY REQUESTED CONFIRM OR REFUTE INFO PARA ONE, ABOVE, AND SUPPLY ALL RELEVANT SPECIFICS.  
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